FISCAL NOTE

SB 1569

April 29, 1997

SUMMARY OF BILL: Allows the state's accredited public and private colleges and universities to establish policies for the employment and commission of a suitable number of persons as **security officers** by the respective college or university. Each security officer must meet the equivalent of the minimum certification requirements of the peace officers standards and training commission (POST). Other minimum qualifications for employment as security officers may be established; however, the qualifications for a security officer permitted to carry firearms can be no less stringent that the certification requirements of POST. Such security officers shall have all the police powers necessary to enforce all state laws and local ordinances. In particular, these security officers could be empowered to carry firearms, and their motor vehicles would be authorized to carry blue authorized emergency vehicle lights.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

The bill does not create a requirement that such institutions of higher learning create campus police forces but allows them to establish policies for their use.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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